

THE HISTORY AND SOCIOLOGY OF GENOCIDE

Here are some deadlines that we feel strongly about. By looking at them now, you will be able to organize your work over the next few months.

- October 8th : Hand in a brief outline (1 or 2 pages) of part one of your research project; i.e.: the case you propose to investigate. Part one will deal primarily with historical events.
- October 29th: Hand in a revised outline of your research project -- revised on the basis of our comments and in-class discussions. This should also include a preliminary bibliography.
- January 14th: Submit one typed copy of part one of your research project. Your research project should also be ready for presentation and discussion in class. You may opt for any form of presentation that is congenial to you -- from reading a written text to talking from a set of notes or index cards.
- February 4th: Hand in a brief outline (1 or 2 pages) of your theory chapter (see below), which will be part two of your research project.
- March 4th : Absolutely the last day for handing in the written draft of part two of your final research report, if you want comments from us. In part two, you should fit your data into a conceptual framework dealing in some way with the structure and the characteristics of a "genocidal society". (Don't worry if all this sounds a bit mysterious; it will be discussed in class at some length).
- April 8th : FINAL Deadline for handing in your research report.

COURSE OUTLINE: (There are no dates given for these topics because lectures and discussions will be interspersed with presentations by visiting lecturers and members of the class cannot be given until these events are confirmed).

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| - Introduction | - Africa |
| - Definitions and Typology; the UN Convention | - Theories of genocide |
| - Research methods; research essay | - England in the New World, |
| - Library presentation and methods (continued) | Ireland, and Oceania |
| - Ancient Near East | - US and Canadian Indian policies |
| - Greece and Rome | - 20 th Century: Asia, Africa, |
| - Middle Ages: Asia | Latin America, Europe |
| - Middle Ages: Europe | - The Genocide Convention and |
| - Spain, Portugal and the New World | Theories of Genocide Revisited |

REQUIRED TEXTS: Hannah Arendt The Origins of Totalitarianism
Richard Rubenstein The Cunning of History (Additional readings will be announced in future Newsletters).

- READING ASSIGNMENT: (i) Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide. Paris. 9 December 1948.
- (ii) Fernand Braudel, Capitalism and Material Life, 1400-1800 (New York: Harper and Row, 1975; original French publication, 1967), pp. 1-61.